Dr. Bijoy Menon was named one of Avenue magazine’s Top 40 Under 40 for 2014. Dr. Menon’s research and teaching in the area of stroke was recognized, as were three others from the Cumming School of Medicine.

Dr. Janet Tapper received the J. Gregory Cairncross Award for Excellence in Clinical Research at Resident’s Research Day.

Dr. Rita Nguyen received the Doug W. Zochodne Award for Excellence in Basic Science Research.

Dr. Daryl Wile, who was a DCNS R5 Neurology resident last year, won a clerkship teaching award. Dr. Wile is currently at UBC doing a Fellowship in Movement Disorders.

Congratulations!

DCNS annual report back from printer!

The Department’s 2013-2014 report, which celebrates Innovation Through Collaboration, is complete and available on our web site.

And if you have colleagues in other cities/universities who should receive a hardcopy, please forward their names and addresses so one can be mailed.

QuICR web site launched

QuICR is an Alberta-wide stroke program that aims to improve stroke outcomes through rapid clinical and neurovascular imaging evaluation, combined with fast treatment. They are focussed on acute stroke (first 12 hours) and acute TIA/minor stroke (first 24 hours).

There are three main components to the program:
- A clinical and imaging stroke registry that captures all acute stroke and TIA/minor stroke in Alberta;
- Province-wide quality improvement and knowledge translation process focusing on access to care and speed of treatment; and
- Various clinical research projects that lead to new clinical innovation towards the main foci of this program.

For more information, visit their web site at www.ucalgary.ca/quicr

Christmas Rounds Dec. 19

The Department’s annual Christmas Rounds are on Friday, Dec. 19 from 2pm to 4pm in the FMC Auditorium (next to the Coombs).

Please join us from holiday fun and entertainment from the residents as we wrap up an incredible year for Grand Rounds at DCNS.

Holiday party a hit at the Elks club

Thank you to everyone who attended and contributed to the Holiday Celebration on Dec. 5. The event, organized by the dedicated Ninfa Fernandes and emceed by husband Louis, attracted over 100 to the Elks club.

Photos from the event can be found on the DCNS Flickr page.

Call for 2015 Grand Rounds presenters

There are still a few openings in May, June and the Fall of 2015 for Grand Rounds presentation in the Department of Clinical Neurosciences.

If you have a suggestion for a speaker, or would like to present yourself, please forward details to Quentin.

Once they’re confirmed, upcoming speakers are listed on the DCNS site.

Selena joins PM&R

Please welcome Selena Smith, who is joining the physiatry division as Dr. Chester Ho’s administrative assistant.

Selena, who started Dec. 15, will be based in Room 1195 at FMC. She previously worked at the Tom Baker Cancer Centre.